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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

Intelligence Community Staff

May 8, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

SUBJECT: Multidisciplinary Baseline Report to the NSC/Special
Coordination Committee for Counterintelligence

REFERENCE: Memorandum from Dr. Brzezinski to SCC/CI Principals,
dated 3 March 1978, Subject: SCC/Counterintelligence
Responsibilities

1. ☐ Action Requested. That you sign the attached letter to
Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski.

2. ☐ Background:

a. In his memorandum to the NSC/SCC/CI principals, dated
3 March 1978, Dr. Brzezinski requested that the DCI and the Department
of Justice prepare a draft Baseline Report on counterintelligence as
discussed in the attached letter.

b. The initial SCC/CI deadline for this effort was 15 April.
The NSC Staff has been kept apprised of progress made in preparing the
Report and permitted a longer suspense in view of its expanded scope.

c. Mr. Fred Baron, Special Assistant to the Attorney General
has reviewed the Executive Summary to the report and has agreed that the
report should be transmitted on behalf of both the Attorney General and
the DCI.

d. Mr. Sam Hoskinson, NSC Staff, has indicated that the NSC
Staff would distribute the report to the SCC/CI principals and that its

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very early receipt is needed.

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The SCC/CI meeting would have two purposes related to this report.

(1) Issues raised in the report would be reviewed to determine, which, if any, should receive early SCC/CI attention so that full staff studies could be commissioned.

(2) The draft terms of reference for a multidisciplinary national net counterintelligence assessment, submitted to the NSC Staff on 30 March 1978 in response to reference NSC/SCC/CI 3 March 1978 request, would be considered and approved. The original SCC/CI intention to have an SCC/CI Working Group under David L. Aaron, Dr. Brzezinski's deputy, review the terms of reference was dropped. The NSC Staff expressed satisfaction with the terms of reference as submitted.

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Attachment:

Letter to Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski

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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

11 May 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Zbigniew Brzezinski
Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs

SUBJECT: Multidisciplinary Baseline Report to the National
Security Council/Special Coordination Committee for
Counterintelligence

REFERENCE: Memorandum from Dr. Brzezinski to SCC/CI Principals,
dated 3 March 1978, Subject: SCC Counterintelligence
Responsibilities

1. The NSC/Special Coordination Committee for Counterintelligence (SCC/CI) requested on 3 March 1978 that a draft Baseline Report be prepared by the DCI and the Department of Justice addressing "among others" questions on the foreign intelligence threat to the United States and the countering of it. Although the questions were HUMINT-oriented, I have expanded the scope of the report to SIGINT, imagery, international terrorism and protective security, to bring together in one paper the totality of the intelligence and terrorist threats to the U.S. and the countering efforts against those threats.

2. Although this report is thus broader in scope, its purpose is in accordance with the original SCC/CI objectives for it, i.e., (1) that it be a basic reference and educational aid for the SCC principals, and (2) that it be self-critical and seek to raise as many issues as seem to merit SCC/CI consideration. These issues were not to be given full staff study, with pros and cons of alternatives carefully weighed and solutions recommended. As was expected, the issues vary in importance and priority. The objective is to enable the SCC/CI to look at a wide range of issues and decide which to address, and when.

3. The report lays the groundwork for the multidisciplinary national net counterintelligence assessment to be undertaken next by the SCC/CI for the President. The Baseline Report covers both threats and their counters, but does not net, i.e., assess the effectiveness of our counters to the threats.

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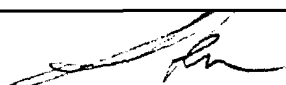
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4. This report has been prepared by the Intelligence Community (IC) Staff on behalf of both the DCI and the Attorney General. Inputs to it were obtained from the U.S. Army ACSI, CIA (Operations Directorate, Office of Security, Office of Communications), DCI Committee on Exchanges Staff, DIA, DoD (Office of the Deputy Under Secretary for Policy, Defense Investigative Programs Office), FBI, JCS, Naval Investigative Service, NSA, AF Office of Special Investigations, DCI Security Committee Staff, and Treasury. The ensuing IC Staff working draft product was circulated to the contributors plus the National Foreign Assessment Center (CIA), the Department of State, and the staffs of the DCI SIGINT, COMIREX, and the Human Resources Committees for comment. Further change was then made and this final product prepared by the IC Staff.

5. The report consists of the Multidisciplinary Baseline Report proper plus an Executive Summary and an Issue Appendix. Eighteen copies of the report are provided herewith pursuant to discussions with the National Security Council Staff. The Attorney General has a copy of the report.

6. Questions regarding this report may be addressed to

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Baseline Report

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